

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

1. Agreement Number _____

GROUP VOLUNTEER SERVICES AGREEMENT

2a. Name of Sponsoring Group or Organization _____		2b. Telephone (include area code) _____
2c. Address (include zip code) _____		
3a. Liaison Person for Day-to-Day Operations _____		3b. Telephone (include area code) _____
3c. Address (include zip code) _____		
3d. Person to Notify in Emergency _____		
3e. Address (include zip code) _____		3f. Telephone (include area code) _____
4. <i>Project or Job Description (Brief summary of work to be accomplished. If need be, use item 7 on reverse side or attachment to more fully describe the work and Volunteer's duties):</i> _____		

BLM Project Supervisor _____ Title/Position _____ Phone _____

5. **Agreement by Organization or Group:** We offer and agree to volunteer our services to accomplish the work described above to assist the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in its authorized activities, in accord with the following understandings:
- We, including our participating Volunteers, will contribute our services without compensation in wages.
 - This volunteer service will not confer the status of Federal employee on any participating Volunteers, except that while acting within the scope of this Agreement, they will be deemed to be as if they were Federal employees for purposes of the:
 - Federal Tort Claims Act, which protects Federal employees from liability for injury or damage to others while the employees are acting within the scope of their duties, and
 - Federal Employees Compensation Act, which provides for compensation for work-related injury.
 - Claims relating to damage to, or loss of, personal property incident to volunteer service in which case the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 3721 shall apply.
 - The protections afforded employees in situations involving assault, resisting, or impeding pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1737 and 18 U.S.C. 111, and 1114 while engaged in the performance of their official duties.
 - Each of our participants is at least 18 years old (or if any are under 18, a parent or guardian of each consents to this Agreement as shown by his or her signature on attachment(s) to this Agreement, marked _____).
 - We will provide BLM with each participating Volunteer's name, phone number, and address, and number of service hours contributed. Each participant has certified, or before commencing work will certify, that he or she (1) has been informed of the health and physical-condition requirements for doing the work and project location including altitude, and (2) knows of no physical condition or limitation that may adversely affect his or her ability to do this work. We will supervise our participants' day-to-day work.
 - It is understood that all publications, films, slides, videos, artistic or similar endeavors, resulting from my volunteer services, as specifically contracted for and attached as an addendum hereto, will become the property of the United States, and as such, will be in the public domain and not subject to copyright laws.

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- f. Volunteer who are members of _____ (complete as appropriate) are authorized to wear the BLM uniform while performing official BLM volunteer services. The uniform shall be worn in accordance with Manual Section 1103 available from the local BLM Volunteer Coordinator.
- g. Our participating volunteers may be required to undergo background checks, provide requested information, and authorize the disclosure of information pertaining to themselves or the group for this purpose.
- h. Either we or BLM may terminate this Agreement at any time by notifying the other party in writing.

Signature of Representative of Organization or Group _____ Date _____

Name (print or type) _____ Title _____

6. **Agreement by BLM:** The BLM accepts this offer and agrees, while this Agreement is in effect, to:

- a. Deem Volunteers participating under this Agreement to be as Federal employees for purposes of tort claims and compensation for work-related injury to the extent not covered by the sponsoring organization;
- b. Provide technical guidance and such materials and supplies, equipment, and facilities as are needed and are available to accomplish this project, except as may be specified in an attachment, marked _____. If other details need to be specified, such as any special provisions concerning expenses, they are set forth in an attachment, marked _____.
- c. Process any claims by the volunteer for loss or damage to personal property incident to volunteer service, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3721.

Signature of BLM Official _____ Name (print or type) _____

Title/Position _____ Office/Location _____ Date _____

7. Elaboration of Volunteers' duties or modifications or amendments to this agreement.

8. **Completion or Termination:** This agreement was completed/terminated (cross out one) on _____ (date).

Remarks:

Signature of BLM Official _____ Signature of Organization Representative _____

Authority: Section 307, Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1737), as amended by P.L. 98-540 of 1984 (98 Stat. 2718).